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## Needle Disposal Area Included, Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony Held For First Public Bathroom In Downtown Miami



MIAMI (CBSMiami) – A [project](#) that officials say is the first of its kind in Florida opened on Wednesday in Miami.

Officials in the Magic City held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for “The Miami pit stop,” the first public restroom in downtown Miami.

“These facilities are more than just restrooms. They’re a beacon of hope for people in need and something that has the [power](#) to transform neighborhoods for those who live work and visit our city,” said Miami Mayor Francis Suarez.

It has a needle disposal area and will be staffed seven days a week.

While the restroom was originally opened with the homeless in mind, officials stress it’s open to everyone.



This permanent restroom comes after a three-year-long pilot of temporary “Pit stops” downtown.

Work on the more than \$300,000 project began in April.